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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takeshi MISAWA Conf.: 9612
Appl. No.: 09/432,087 Group: 2835
Filed: November 2, 1999 Examiner: A. VORTMAN
For: ARRANGEMENT OF CARD SLOT IN LAPTOP COMPUTER

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE
PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 10, 2004

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated December 11, 2003 of the Primary Examiner twice rejecting claims 1-7, 9-17, and 24-31.

This document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of () month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a).

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

NO extensions of time have been previously obtained for responding to the Final Rejection. Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.

An extension of () month(s) for responding to the Final Rejection was previously requested and paid for on _____. Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required to obtain an additional () month(s) for filing the Notice of Appeal.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

The Government fee for filing a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals is calculated as follows:

Large entity - \$330.00

Small Entity - \$165.00

Therefore, the TOTAL FEE due for the filing of this Notice of Appeal is \$330.00.

Payment of the above TOTAL FEE is being made in the following manner:

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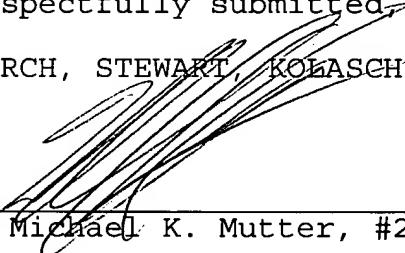
Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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